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CIA Is Misunderstood, Says Dulles, Because It Must Hide Successes

The 70-year-old former di- two years later. rector of the Agency-he resigned in 1961 after the Cuban-Bay of Pigs disaster, which has been blamed in part on the CIA-said United States spies have had their share of clandestine coups but the story of their successes must remain untold.

Dulles spoke to some 200 members of the Washington branch of the English-Speaking Union, meeting at the Sulgrave Club. He now practices law in New York City and recently wrote "The Craft of Intelligence," a history of his 45 years in intelligence work.

Newspapers in the United States, Dulles said, do not understand the role of the CIA. He added that the do's-anddon'ts of the Agency are set forth in large part by law. though some functions must be left unwritten and thus misunderstood.

Dulles, who began Government service in 1916 as a junior diplomat in Vienna. said the CIA of today was set; up mainly during the presidency of Harry S. Truman.

The Office of the Stragetic Service-the predecessor of the CIA-was disbanded after World War II, Dulles said, and the American intelligence community until 1948 was very loosely knit. But that year, he recalled, post-war Soviet intentions became completely clear and Mr. Tru-

Allen W. Dulles stood up man ordered him and several The CIA, as its name imfor the Central Intelligence others to make a study of plies, co-ordinates intelligence Agency last night, saying U. S. intelligence operations. gathered by different Americans would criticize the study subsequently was branches of the Government, used in setting up the CIA. Dulles said. He added that the Dulles joined the Agency in Agency then analyzes the interpretation and distributes it to The Toycon all two years later. the proper persons and offices.